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For : INNER TIGHTENING MECHANISM FOR FOOTWEAR

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Transmitted herewith is a Reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.111 to the Office Action of November 20, 2002 in the above-captioned application.

- ☐ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☐ A Request for Extension of Time.
- ☒ A copy of second substitute specification.
- ☒ A copy of marked-up version of second substitute.
- ☐ No Additional Fee.

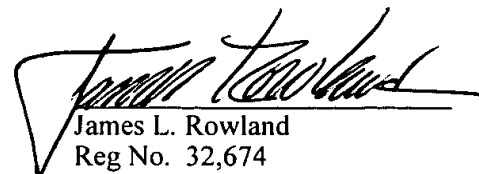
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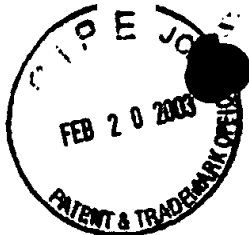
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**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.111  
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Sir:

In reply to the Office action dated November 20, 2002, please enter the following amendment.

Upon entry of the amendment, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

**AMENDMENT**

**In the Specification**

Please enter the attached second substitute specification, excluding the claims, in place of the previous substitute specification.

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.125, a marked-up version of the second substitute specification is also attached, showing by underlining and bracketing where revisions have been made to the previously submitted substitute specification.

The substitute specification includes no prohibited new matter.

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